

CHAPTER 3

II. VARIATION IN SERVICES AND PROGRAMS BY SIZE OF POPULATION SERVED - 2003

Clinical Services: agencies serving populations greater than 80,000 were less likely to offer family planning and WIC services and more likely to provide dental services, including dental sealants, than agencies serving smaller populations. Only 46% of agencies serving populations greater than 80,000 offered family planning services compared to 60% of those serving populations from 40,001 to 80,000, 70% of agencies serving populations from 20,001 to 40,000, and 59% of agencies serving populations 20,000 or fewer. Twenty-three percent (23%) of agencies serving populations over 80,000 provide dental services and dental sealants, while only 5% of agencies serving populations 20,000 or fewer offer dental sealants, and 9% offer dental services. (See Graphs 5.1.1 and Data Tables 5.1.1)

Screening and Testing: agencies serving larger populations are less likely to offer a number of different screenings than agencies serving smaller populations. Thirty-three percent (33%) of agencies serving from 40,001 to 80,000, and 38% of agencies serving populations over 80,000 provide cholesterol screening, compared to 80% of agencies serving populations 20,000 or fewer, and 77% of agencies serving populations from 20,001 to 40,000. Sixty-two percent (62%) of agencies serving over 80,000 provide hypertension screening compared to 87% or more of agencies serving other sizes of population. The percentage of agencies screening for hearing, vision, sexually transmitted diseases, HIV and diabetes is lowest for agencies serving populations greater than 80,000. (See Graphs 5.1.2 and Data Tables 5.1.2)

Other Services and Programs: home health programs are most likely to be offered by agencies serving smaller population sizes. Fifty-four percent (54%) of agencies serving populations 20,000 or fewer offer home health services, compared to 30% of those serving populations from 20,001 to 40,000, 20% of agencies serving populations from 40,001 to 80,000, and only 8% of agencies serving populations over 80,000. Other services and programs listed are provided fairly consistently regardless of agency size. (See Graphs 5.1.3 and Data Tables 5.1.3)